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ING, COPENHAGEN, APRIL 7-8

1. ON THE EVE OF THE EC SUMMIT, DANISH PRESS IS FULL OF
SPECULATION ABOUT THE AGENDA TOPICS WITH ALL PAPERS POINT-
ING TO THE WEST'S ECONOMIC PROBLEMS AS THE DOMINANT THEME
OF THE APRIL 7-8 MEETING. THE EC'S TRADE NEGOTIATIONS WITH
JAPAN AND THE EFFORTS TO COMBAT UNEMPLOYMENT WITHIN THE
NINE ARE EXPECTED TO OCCUPY A MAJOR PORTION OF THE DISUCSSIONS.

2. BOTH POLITIKEN (INDEPENDENT/LEFT OF CENTER) AND BERLINGSKE
TIDENDE (INDEPENDENT/CONSERVATIVE), COPENHAGEN'S LEADING
QUALITY DAILIES, DESCRIBE THE COPENHAGEN SUMMIT AS A DRESS
REHEARSAL FOR THE BIG JULY SUMMIT IN BONN. ARTICLES IN BOTH
PAPERS STATE THAT FEW CONCRETE RESULTS ARE EXPECTED FROM THE
COPENHAGEN MEETING BUT THAT THE DISCUSSIONS HERE WILL SKETCH
THE OUTLINES OF THE EC'S POSITION FOR THE JULY MEETING. TO-
DAY'S (APRIL 6) POLITIKEN STATES THAT TOO MANY "UNKNOWNNS"
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WILL IMPEDE MEANINGFUL ECONOMIC DECISIONS THIS WEEKEND. THE
UNKNOWNNS ARE SAID TO BE THE FACT THAT THE NEW FRENCH GOVERN-
MENT HAS JUST GOTTEN STARTED; THAT THE BRITISH FINANCIAL
POLICY IS STILL UNCLEAR; AND THAT PRESIDENT CARTER'S ENERGY
POLICY IS STILL HANGING FIRE IN THE US.

3. POLITIKEN ALSO SPECULATES THAT FRENCH PRESIDENT GISCARD

D'ESTAING IS COMING TO COPENHAGEN WITH SOME KIND OF SURPRISE FOR THE NINE UP HIS SLEEVE. THE ARTICLE STATES THAT THE CLOSELY-HELD RESULTS OF THE MEETING BETWEEN GISCARD AND SCHMIDT LAST WEEKEND AT RAMBOUILLET MAY SIGNAL A MOVE BY GISCARD TO FOCUS THE SPOTLIGHT ON FRANCE. THE ARTICLE ALSO SAYS THAT GISCARD IS EXPECTED TO "PUT DANISH PRIME MINISTER ANKER JORGENSEN IN HIS PLACE" WITH A FEW CHOICE WORDS ON JORGENSEN'S WASHINGTON COMMENTS SUPPORTING MITTERRAND IN THE RECENT FRENCH ELECTION.

4. ACCORDING TO THE PRESS, OTHER EC SUMMIT AGENDA ITEMS WILL INCLUDE THE MIDDLE EAST, THE WAR BETWEEN SOMALIA AND ETHIOPIA, THE SITUATION IN RHODESIA, EAST/WEST PROBLEMS AND A DATE FOR DIRECT ELECTIONS TO THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT.

5. THE APRIL 5 EDITION OF AKTUEL (SOCIAL DEMOCRATIC) REPORTS THAT THE HEADS OF GOVERNMENT WILL ISSUE A STATEMENT ON THE EC'S POSITION ON DEMOCRATIC COMMITMENT. THE ARTICLE STATES THAT BECAUSE NOTHING IN THE TREATY OF ROME EXPLICITLY REQUIRES MEMBER COUNTRIES TO HAVE DEMOCRATIC GOVERNMENT, THE NINE WANT TO DEFINE THE PREREQUISITES FOR MEMBERSHIP MORE PRECISELY. AKTUEL CONTINUES THAT THE STATEMENT IS NOT ENVISIONED AS AFFECTING PRESENT EC MEMBERS AND IS DIRECTLY AIMED AT THE THREE APPLICANT COUNTRIES, GREECE, SPAIN AND PORTUGAL.

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6. FINALLY, THE APRIL 6 MEDIA REPORT THAT THE DANISH POLICE HAVE TAKEN THE MOST EXTREME SECURITY MEASURES EVER IN PREPARATION FOR THE COPENHAGEN SUMMIT. SEVERAL HUNDRED POLICE AS WELL AS SO-CALLED "SPECIALLY TRAINED" PERSONNEL WILL BE INVOLVED IN GUARDING THE AIRPORT, MEETING SITES AND RESIDENCES OF THE VISITORS.
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